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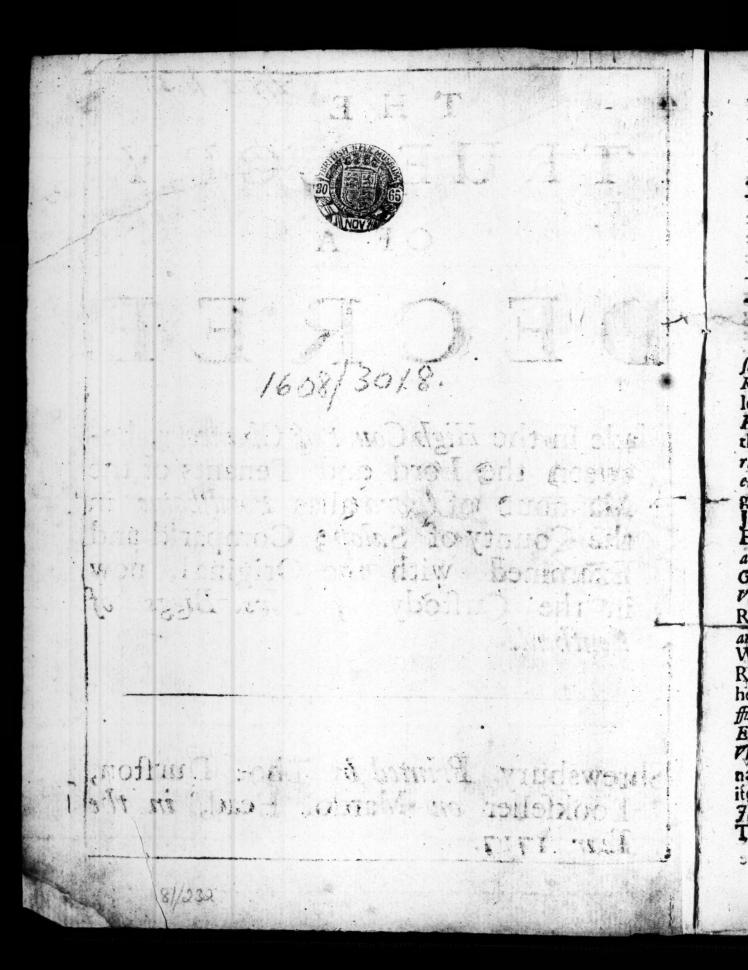
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Made in the High Court of Chancery, between the Lord and Tenants of the Mannour of Ford alias Fordshome in the County of Salop; Compar'd and Examined with the Original, now in the Custody of Mrs. Biggs of Benthall.

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JECOBUS Dei Gratia Anglia Scotia Ffrancia et Hibernia Rex, sidei Defensor &c. Omnibus ad quos prasentes Litera pervenerint Salutem inspeximus irrotulamentum Judicii sive Decreti Coram nobis in Cancellaria nostra inter Thomam Pursell Armig, et alios querentes et Johannem Talbott Armig. Desend nuper Redd, ac ibidem de recordo resid, in hac verba.

HEREAS hererofore Thomas Pursel, Esquire, John Harris Gentleman, Arthur Ward Gentleman, Sicily Barber Widow, and Thomas Jennings Gentleman, Elizabeth Hoster Widow, George Hosur Gentleman, Thomas Clough Gentleman, Edward Onslow Gentleman, Richard Tipton Centleman, George Brown Gentleman, Richard Wilcox Gentleman, Edward Henedge Gentleman, and Sicily Henedge his Wite; Robert Philips Gentleman, Reynold Higgins, John Ewans, Simon Calcot, Wm. Nuneley the Elder, Mary Nuneley Widow, William Nuneley the Younger, John Harris of Linches Gentleman, John Peers Gentleman, Abraham Genome, Margaret Comper Widow, Simon Comper and Thomas Comper, John Harris the Younger, Richard VVaring, Anne Waring Widow, John VVaring the Younger, John Jeffes, Richard Jeffes, Rose Willeox Widow, Hugh Philips, Richard Peers the Elder, Thomas Ambler, Robert Ambler, Elizabeth Higgons Widow, and Rich, ard Higgons her Son, William Dennys and Anne Dennys his Wife, Thomas Griffiths, Roger Dyofs, Thomas Heyward and Margaret Heyward his Wife, John Warser, Richard Phillips, Thomas Polmer, Edward Polmer, William Applebury, Richard Higgons the Elder, John Waring the Elder, Richard Ambler, Leonard Dax, Richard Phippes James Carter, Richard Evans, Margaret ap David Widow, Griffith Griffithes, Richard VVall, Henry Calcatt, Roger Griffithes Richard Griffithes, John Onflow, Joan Betchcott widow, and Richard Betchcott her Son, Thomas VV arter, John Dovison, John Teage, Thomas Jones, Edward Grit flithes, Elizabeth Lee Widow, Randelph Lee, Thomas Peers, Gr. Ambler, John Evans the Younger, VVilliam Teage, Richard Peers the Younger, Thomas nants of the Mannour of Ford alias Fordshome in the County of Salop; Exhibifed their Bill of Complaint into this honourable Court of Chancery again ft. Jabn Taleott of Graffion in the County of VVorcefler Elquire; Shewing thereby That whereas the said John Talbott was, and yet is lawfully seized as the said Complainants. Inheritance

Complainants were inform'd to him and his Heirsof and in the faid Mannour of Ford, alias Fordshome with the Appurtenances. And whereas also they the faid Complainants were and yet are severaly and respectively lawfully leized in their Demealne as of Fee, according to the Custom of the said Mannour, of and in divers and fundry Copyhold, Mefluages, Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, parcel of, and belonging to the faid Mannour, and Demiled and Dimilable by Copy of Court Roll, according to the Custom of the faid Mannour to any Person or Persons that will take the same in Fee simple Fee Taile, or for Term of Life, Lives or Years. And that whereas also the faid complainants and their feveral Ancestors, and those whose Estate they severally have claimed the Customs of the faid Mannour, of and concerning the faid Copyhold Premisses to be as hereaster is exprest, for and concerning which Customs and Claim, divers Suits, Questions and Controversies have grown between the Lord of the said Mannour, and the Copyholders before named and others before them Copyholders of the faid Premisses, for the final ending and appealing, of all which Queltions Controversies and Debates; and for avoiding of all Suits Doubts and Controversies concerning the said Customs, the faid Defendant and the faid Complainants, of their mutual confents and agreements about 3 Monthsthen last past, as the said Complainant alledged Did conclude, and agree that the Customs of the said Mannour of and concerning the faid Copyhold Premisses thenceforth for ever should be esteem'd and

Payments of Rents Pearly.

First, That all and every the Rents of the Copyholders or customary Tenants now in Tenue of the said Complainants, have usually been paiable, and ought to have been payd yearly, and shall from henceforth be usually paid, at, and upon the Feast Day of St. Michael the Arch-Angel, and the Feast Day of the Annunciation of our blessed Lady St. Mary Virgin, or within 7 Days next after, every of the said Feast days, if the Court there be not kept before the end of any such 7 Dayes, by Equal Portions unto the Lord of the said Mannour, for the Time being; or unto his bayliss, Steward, Improver or Receiver for the Time being.

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A Lso where any Copyholder Dyeth, Sole seized of an Estate of Inheritance, in Fee Simple, according to the Custom of the said Mannour of any Copyhold or customary Messuage, Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, now in the Tenure of any the Complainants, of and in the said Mannour in Possession, Remainder or Reversion: Then the said Messuage, Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, whereof such Copyholder Died, so seized, and the Inheritance

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Inheritance thereof from and after such decease, ought must and shall descend and come by the Custom of the said Mannour, unto the youngest Son of the laid Copyholder, having more Sons than one, or elfe to the Son of the faid Copyholder having but one Son, and if the youngest Son shall Die without Issue of his Body, than to the next youngest Son, and for default of such Issue Male of the Body of the faid Copyholder, then to the youngest Daughter of the faid Copyholder, having divers Daughters, or else to the Sole Daughter of the faid Copyholder having but one Daughter, and if the youngest Daughter should die without Issue, then to the next youngest Daughter, then and for want of Daughters and Issues of their Bodies, then to the next youngest Brother of the whole Blood, of the faid Copyholder having more Brothers of the whole Blood then one, or else to the Sole Brother of the whole Blood of the faid Copyholder having but one fuch Brother: And for default of fuch Brothers or Brother then to the youngest Sifter of the whole Blood of the faid Copyholder, having more such Sistersthen one, or else to the Sole Sister of the whole Blood of the said Copyholder, and for default of such Sisters or Sifter, then to the Youngest or Sole Uncle of the said Copyholder, on the part of the Father of the faid Copyholder, and for default of fuch Uneleor Uncles. then to the Youngest or Sole Aunt of the said Copyholder, on the part of the faid Father; if the faid Meffuages, Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments did or do descend unto the said Copyholder, as Heir to the Father of the same Copyholder, or any of his Accestors, according to the Custom of the said Mannour: But if the same Messuages, Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, did, do, or shall descend to the said Copyholder, so dying seized, as Heir to the Mother of the faid Copyholder, or any of her Ancestors, according to the Custom of the said Mannour then after the Decease of the said Copyholder. the same ought, must and shall descend, for default of such Sister or Sisters as aforefaid, to the Youngest or Sole Uncle of the said Copyholder, on the part of the Mother of the faid Copyholder, and for default of fuch Uncles or Uncle. then to the Youngest or Sole Aunt of the said Copyholder on the part of the Mother of the faid Copyholder, as Heir unto the same Copyholder, so dying seized according to the Custom of the said Mannour: And for default of such Uncle or Aunt, the same Rule of descent of Inheritance to be observed touching the Heirs of further degree in Blood, to the faid Copyholder so dying seized And that if any such Son Daughter, Uncle, Aunt or Cousin, being Heir Apparent to the faid Copyholder so dying seized, (That is to say) he or she to whom the Premisses whereof the same Copyholder dying seized as aforesaid, ought or should descend after the decease of the said Copyholder, according to the custom heretofore Specified, do Die in the Lifetime of the faid Copyholder.

holder. Then the said Premisses ought and shall descend after the decease of the said Copyholder so dying, seized unto such Son, Daughter, Uncle, Aunt or Cousin of such Heir Apparent of the said Copyholder, to whom the same Premisses ought or should by the said Custom heretosore specified descend, if the said Heir Apparent had Died thereof seized as aforesaid. And the same Custom and Law to hold, and take place of, for and touching the descent of the Right of Inheritance in Fee Simple, which any Person according to the custom of the said Mannour, hath or ought to have of, in or to any Copyhold or customary Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments in the said Mannour, at the Time of the decease of such Person or Persons.

Surrenders in and out of Court.

A L S O that any Copyholder seized of any Estate of Inheritance, in In Fee Simple in Possession, Remainder or Reversion, according to the custom of the said Mannour, of or in any the aforesaid Copyhold or customary Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments within the faid Mannour, may surrender the same Copyhold or customary Lands Tenements or Hereditaments, or any Part or Parcel thereof, into the hands of the Lord of the faid Mannour for the time being; or of the High Steward, or Deputy Steward of the faid Lord, of the Court of the faid Mannour, for the Time being, or keeping any fuch Court there or into the Hands of any two Copyholders, or customary Tenants of the said Mannour out of the Court, to the use of the same Copyholder, so surrendering, or of any other Person, or Persons, of and for any Estate in Fee Simple, or Fee Tailie, General or Special, or for any Term or Terms, of one, two or three Lives in Possession, Remainder or Reversion; And that any Copyholder seized or possessed, of any the aforesaid Copyhold or customary Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, of any Estate for Life, Lives or Years in Possession, Remainder or Reversion; according to the custom of the said Mannour, may make Surrender thereof, or of any part thereof, in Form aforesaid, to the use of any Person, or Persons, for all, or any Part of such Term or Estate, as such Copyholder so surrendering, then hath in the same Premisses so to be Surrendred.

And that any Copyholder, seized in Right of his Wife, of any Estate of Inheritance, in Fee Simple in Possession, Remainder or Reversion, according to the Custom of the said Mannour, of and in any of the aforesaid Copyhold or customaty Lands, Tenements and Premisses; the said Copyholder and his said Wife, may surrender the same Coppyhold or Customaty Premisses, or any part thereof into the Hands of the Lord of the said Mannour, or into the Hands of the High Steward, or Deputy Steward, in open Court of the said Mannour: So as the Same Wife may be then solely Examined, according to the custom of the said Mannour.

Descents by Entail.

A. LSO that, where any Copyholder dieth, seized of an Estate of Inheri. Lance in Fee Tailie, of, or in any of the aforesaid Copyhold, or Custo. mary Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments in Possession, Remainder or Rever sion of, or in the said mannour: That then after the decease of the said Copy holder, the same Copyhold Premisses whereof, the said Copyholder so Died seiz'd, ought and shall descend, to such Youngest or Sole Son, Youngest or Sole Daughter, Youngest or Sole Brother, Youngest or Sole Sister, Youngest or Sole Uncle, Youngest or Sole Aunt, Youngest or sole Cousin of the said Copyholder inheritable thereunto, according to the Form of the said Entail, as by the custom heretofore specified, should or ought to inherit as Heir by descent of Inheritance, unto any Copyholder dying seiz'd of any the said Copyhold Lands, of, or in the laid Mannour, of an Estate in Fee Simple, according to the custom of the said Mannour: And that no Wife, or Widow of any Copyholder, of any the said Copyhold, or customary Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, of, or in the faid Mannour, ought, shall or may after the decease of her Husband, have or claim, to have any Estate, Title or Interest for her Dower or Free-Bench, of, in, or to any of the same Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, which her faid Husband had or held of any Estate of Inheritance, in Fee Simple, Fee Tailie, for Life or Lives, other than which shall descend, or be conveyed to her as aforesaid. And that the Lord of the said Mannour for the time being, by himself, or by his said Steward, or Deputy Steward, ought and shall admir every such Heir by descent of Inheritance, in Fee Simple, or Fee Tailie as aforesaid, unto all and every the said Copyhold, and customary Lands Tenements and Hereditaments, which shall descend or ought to descend to the said Heir, according to the custom of the faid Mannour, Tenant of, in and to the faid Copyhold, or customary Premisses, and thereof to grant seisine to the said Heir by the Rod, according to the Custom! of the said Mannour. And in like fort, ought and shall admit every Person and Persons, to whose use any such Surrender, shall be made as aforesaid, according to the custom of the said Mannour, Tenant or Tenants, of in and to all, and every such of the faid Copyhold, or customary Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, as be or shall be so surrendered, to his, her, or their Use as aforelaid; and to him, her or them, to whose use such surrender, be or shall be so made to grant the same Premisses so surrendered, and seisine thereof by the Rod, according to his, her or their Estate, or Estates in the said furrender, limited and declared, according to the custom of the said Mannour, without any unnecessary delay, after reasonable demand. And that every fuch Heir immediately for and upon such Admittance of the said Heir, if and a contract of the state of the facts

pay unto the Lord of the said Mannour for the time being, for a Fine so much. Money, as shall amount to the value of one Years Rent, of the Rent now answerable, due or payable to the said Lord, for the said Copyhold premisses.

whereof the faid Heir shall be so admitted Tenant, and no more.

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ND that the Lord for the time being, have always used, and for ever hereafter, shall and may by himself, his Bailiff or other Officer, seized and take for an Heriot, the best Beast of any Copyholder dying, Sole seized of any Estate of Inheritance, or for Term of Life, of or in any of the aforesaid Copyhold, or customary Messuages, Lands or Tenements, of or within the said Mannour, which the faid Copyholder shall have at the time of the decease of the same Copyholder. And if the same Copyholder, so dying sole seized shall be afteem'd Covert, then the best Beast that her Husband shall have at the time of her deceale, and if such Copyholder at the Time of his or her decease or fuch Husband at the Time of fuch his Wife's Decease, shall not have any Beast, then the Lord shall have some other, the best one Thing of the personal Goods and chattles, that such Copyholder or such Husband shall have at the time of the decease of such Copyholder, as the Lord, or his Bailist or Improver or other Officer, shall best like of, seize and take. And that every Person to whose use such surrender shall be made as aforesaid, of any the aforesaid Copyhold, or customary Tenements, immediately for, and upon such Admittance as aforefaid of the same Person, Tenant to the same Copyhold Premises fo surrendred if such Admittance shall be within one Year next after such spriender made. or else without Admittance at the end of the faid Year, have used and shall pay or cause to be paid unto the said Lord of the Mannour, for a Fine, so much Money as shall amount to the value of one Years Rent of the Rent now and swerable, due or Payable to the said Lord, for the said Copyhold or customary Premisses so surrendered and no more. And that the faid Lord shall have of every Copyholder of Inheritance, in Fee Simple, Fee Tailie, or for Term of Life, making such surrender as aforesaid, of all the Coppyhold or Customary Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, whereof the same Copyholder shall be so then seiz'd unto the use of any Person or Persons, in Fee Simple or in Tailie, or for Life, with Remainder of ule over in Fee Simple, or in Tailie, according to the custom of the said Mannour, shall pay unto the said Lord for Farfee two shillings and no more

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or in any of the aforesaid customary or Copyhold Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments of or in the said Mannour, the Heir according to the custom of the said Mannour, if the said Copyholder being within Age, the said Lord shall not have the Wardship or Custody of the said Heir, or of any the said Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, in respect of the said Lands or Heir, but the Mother of the said Heir, and in default of such Mother, the next of Kin to the said Heir, to whom the said Copyhold Premisses cannot descend as Heir to the said Heir within Age, by the custom aforesaid, shall have the Custody, Tuition and Education as prochein amy of the said Heir within Age, and of the said Premisses during the Minority of the said Heir, to and for the only use and benefit of the said Heir, and to be thereof accountable to the said Heir.

Leases to be Set by Licence

A Lio that any Copyholder Sole seized of any Estate of Inheritance, in Fee Simple or Fee Tailie, according to the custom of the said Mannour of any of the aforesaid Copyhold or customary Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, of or in the said Mannour, have used and hereaster shall, or may by Indenture with, and by the Licence of the Lord of the said Mannour for the time being, or of his said Steward, or Deputy Steward, to be granted in Court Lease or Demise all, or any of the said Copyhold or customary Premisses, for any Term of Years in Possession. And that the said Lord, or the said Steward, or Deputy Steward, upon reasonable Demand in that behalf have used, and hereaster shall grant Licence to the said Copyholder, for the demissing of the said Copyhold, Premisses, or any part thereof in Form aforesaid, taking to the use of the Lord for every such Licence: So many Pence in Money, as shall be the Number of the Years in such Licence contained, and no more.

A Lio that no Lord of the said Mannour shall have, or can take any Forseiture, Benefit or Advantage, of or against any Copyholder or customary. Tenant of, or in the said Mannour, for or concerning any waste or Spoil had committed or suffered, or to be had committed or suffered, of or in any the aforesaid Copyhold or customary. Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments of or in the said Mannour.

Entrances of Things done in Court:

A Lso that the said Lord, or his Steward, or deputy Steward for the time being, have used, and shall from time to time, well and truly enter, or cause to be entered, Registred and Recorded in the Court Rolls of the said Mannour, in Parchement; all and every such Surrenders, Grants Admitances Licences, and all and every Presentments, plaints please Suits, Precepts, Tryalls, Verdicts, Judgements and Executions of, for or concerning any of the after the said oresaid.

aforesaid Copyhold, of customary Lands, Tenements of Hereditaments of or in the faid Mannour upon reasonable Fee, to be paid unto the Steward, so making such Entry or Entries, and ought, and shall upon reasonable Demand, make and deliver to any Copyholder or Copyholders severally and respectively, any Copy of lo much of the said Court Rolls in Parchment, under the Hand and Seal of the faid Lord, or his High Steward for the time being, as concerneth any such surrender, grant Admittance, Licence, Presentments Verdicts and Judgements, severally and respectively, concerning their said feveral Copyhold, or Customary Tenements, paying for every such Copy 18 Pence. And that the faid Lord, Steward, or Deputy Steward, or any of them, or the Bailiff, or any other Officer or Servant of them, or any of them ought not, nor shall exact, demand or claim any other Sum or Sums of money, or other thing for any Fine Farfee or Heriot, for or upon any Death of any such Copyholder, for any such surrender, Admittance or Licence as aforesaid, or for any Admittance or Lice ce made or to be made, of or concerning any Copyhold or customary Lands. Tenements or Hereditaments of or in the said Mannour, or any other Fee, Fees, Reward or thing, for the said Copies of Court Rolls, than herein before is Exprest.

Talkat to be paid for entering Complaints, and how to be Tryed. A Lso that the said Lord by himself or his said Steward, or Deputy Stew-I and for the time being, have ever used, and hereafter for ever shall upon the Complaint, and reasonable demand Payment to them, or any of them of two Shillings to the use of the Lord, by any Copyholder or Copyholders of the faid Mannour, in Deed or in Right, complaining to be wronged by any other Person or Persons touching any such of the asoresaid Copyhold, Premisses of or in the said Mannour, shall cause a Jury or inquest of 12 or more of the Copyholders of the said Mannour, to try the Right of the said Complaint or Complaints, of in or to any of the aforefaid Copyhold, Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments of the said Mannour, according to the Custom of the said Mannour in a majus Jus, against any other Person or Persons, and upon tryal of the same Right, in or for the said Copyholder, Complaint or Complaints, shall give Warranty under his, or their hand or hands, to the Bailiffs of the faid Mannour for the time being, to put or cause to be put the same Compli aint or Complaints into Possession of the same Premisses, wherein it is so found by Verdict, the faid Complaint or Complaints to have Right, according to the custom of the laid Mannour; and for any other Enquiry to be had touching the meers and Bounds of any of the aforesaid customary Lands or Tenements of or in the said Mannour, or of any custom within the said Mannour, or setting forth, or laying out of Ways, or Water Courses or other like matter, doubt (9)

or Question which may hereafter happen to arise, the said Lord, Steward or Deputy Steward, upon reasonable Request of any Copyholder of or in the said Mannour, at or in any Court of the said Mannour holden, and upon Payment of 6 Pence to them, or any of them, by the faid Copyholder to the use of the Lord, shall cause the Homage of the said Mannour, (that is to say 12 or more of the Copyholders of the faid Mannour, being Impanelled, Sworn and charged according to the custom of the said Mannour, to enquire and make Presentment of the said Bounds, meers, Ways, Water Courses, Customs or other matters aforelaid to to be enquired, and ought and shall take and Record duely and truely the Presentments of the said Homage. any Surrender of any part or parcel of any of the aforesaid Copyhold, or customary Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, it hath been always used to Apportion the Rents due to be paid to the Lord, according to the Proportion of the said Lands and Tenements so surrendred, respecting the Rent of the whole Lands and Tenements before such surrender made, and the Quantity and Quality of the part or parcel so surrendered.

And that every Surrender of any the aforesaid Copyhold, or customary Lands and Tenements, hath been used to be presented at the Court of the Lord of the said Mannour, holden within the said Mannour not only within one Year next after such Surrender made, but also whensoever the Partie or Parties to whose use such Surrender is made, or his or their Heir or Heirs do Require the Presentment thereof, or Admittance thereupon.

The Customs to be allowed used heretofore.

Aftly that all other Customs and Usages, of and within the said Mannour, there time out of Mind used and accustomed, or which by the Court Rolls of the said Mannour, shall or may appear to have been used and allowed for Custom or Customs within the said Mannour, shall be duely observed kept and executed, and stand firm in sull Force Effect, and inviolable for ever to all intents constructions and Purposes, to and against the said Complainants and Defendant and every of them, their and every of their Heirs and Assignes, and all, and every other Person and Persons claiming from, by or under them or any of them.

A ND whereas also the said John Talbot, in consideration of the Sum of One Thousand Eight Hundred, and sourscore Pounds, Thirteen Shillings of lawful English Money to him by the said Complainants, well and truely paid, is well pleased that the said Customs shall be allowed, ratified & confirmed in the behalf of the said Complainants, their Heirs and

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Assignes only and doth acknowledge and confess that he is agreed that the Customs before mention'd: And every of them hereafter for ever shall be the true Customs of the said Mannour, for and touching all and every the faid Copyhold, Lands and Tenements of the faid Complainants before mentioned; and hath promised that he the said John Talbot, his Heirs and Assignes, and every of them, shall and will be bound by the said Customs for ever more, for and concerning the faid Copyhold Premisses. And that the said Complainants and every of them, their Heirs and Assignes shall, or may for ever hereafter enjoy and use the said Customs, without any Lett, Trouble or denial of the said John Talbot, his Heirs and Assignes, or any of them: And that the said John Talbot. his Heirs and Assignes shall and will for ever hold him and themselves, well contented with the said Fines Heriots, and Customs before mention'd & that there shall not be at any time demanded challenged or recived by him the laid John Talbot, his Heirs or Assignes, any other Heriot or Fine for the said Premisses than as a foresaid, and where also the said Complainants, and every of them for themselves, and their several Heirs and Assignes have concluded, granted and agreed to and with the said John Talbot, his Heirs and Assignes, that they the said Complaints their Heirs and Assignes, shall and will at all Times herafter submit themselves to the said Customs, and shall and will be bound thet by eaccordingly; And also shall and will allow of all and every matters and Premisses before mentioned to be agreed upon, according to the true intent and meaning of the same Agreement, and shall, and will pay and perform all and everything aforesaid, on their parts to be paid and perforni'd.

The Order Recorded of both Parties. Agreement to their Customs.

ALL which conclusions and Agreements made as aforesaid, and the true intent and meaning thereof, the said Complainants, are and ever have been ready and willing to do observe and perform, and did offer to this honourable Court to perform the same, and to observe, pay, sulfil and keep on their parts all things according to the said Agreements, which said conclusions and Agreements, the said Complainants alledged were in short time like to be forgotten, and put out of memory, and therefore prayed that the same might appear of Record, and be ordered and decreed to continue for ever, for a perpetual quiet between the said Complainants, their heirs and Assigns, and the said Desendant John Talbot, his Heirs and Assigns, according to the good meaning of the said Desendant, and of the said Complainants, whereunto they doubted not but that the said Desendant would consent, and therefore craved Process of Subpenâ against the said Desendant to answer the Premisses, and to show Cause if he so could, why the said conclusions

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and Agreements hould not be decreed in this Honourable Court, to be performed and to continue, and be of Record for ever, according to the true intent and meaning of the same as aforesaid, as in and by the said Bill of Complaint, remaining of Record in this honourable Court, more at large it doth and may appear; unto which Bill the said Defendant John Talbot appeared, and put in his answer into this Court, and by the same, his Answer confessed it to be true, That sor the final ending, appealing and determining of all Questions, Controversies and Debates between him the said Defendant, his Heirs or Assignes, and the said Complainants or any of them, or any their Heirs or Assignes for and concerning their Copy-hold, or customary Lands or Tenements, and all and every or any the said Customs, of or within the said mannour; for and concerning the conclusions and agreement in the faid Bill specified. And in consideration of the Sum of one Thousand eight Hundred and fourscore Pounds thirteen Shillings, of lawful English Money, by the said Complainants to him the said desendant, well and truely contented, and Paid he the said Defendant, and the said Complainants, about the time in the faid Bill mentioned by their mutual Consents, Assents, and Agreements, did agree, and make a final concusion and Agreement, to continue for ever in manner as in the faid Bill is exprest and declared; that the Customs of the said Mannour of and concerning the said Copyhold, Premisses, henceforth for ever shall be esteemed, and taken to be as in the said Bill is exprest.

All which Agreements before in the said Bill mentioned, set forth and declared, which on the part & behalf of the said Desendant, his Heirs or Assignes are, or ought to be performed; he the said Desendant was ready and willing to perform, according to the true intent and maenings of the said Agreement, and is contented and well pleas d that the same shall appear and remain of Record and be ordered and decreed to continue for ever, according to the good meaning of him the said Desendant. And the said Complainants as this honourable Court shall think meet, so as it may likewise be order'd and decreed, that this Desendant his Heirs and Assignes may have and enjoy all Rents due and to be due, for the Premisses, and all other Duties and Services, according to the

true meaning of the faid Agreement

The order for not Complaints.

Provided always, That no Copyholders or customary Tenants of the said Mannour, nor their Heirs nor any of them, other than the now Complainants their Heirs and Assignes, and such of the said Copyholders and customary Tenants, and their Heirs and Assignes, as be now Parties and consenting

to this Decree, shall have or take any manner of Benefit thereof, nor of any custom matter or thing in this present Decree mentioned, specified or declared; but that the faid Defendant his Heirs and Assignes, Lords and Owners of the faid Mannour of Fordalias Fordshome, and all other the Lords and owners of the faid Mannour for the time being, their Heirs and Assignes shall and may, have and take, and shall be at liberty to claim, have and take at all times, &c. from Time to Time hereafter, such and the like Fines, Heriots and other Duties, Customs and Services, Benefit, Advantage, Profit and Commodity, against all and every the Copyholders and customary Tenants, their Heirs and Affignes; being no Complainants nor Parties to this Decree, for or concerning their customary Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, and touching and concerning any matter and thing thereunto appertaining and belonging to all intents and purpoles, as he or they or any of them, might lawfully have, take, claim or demand, at any time before the making of this prefent Decree, and as if this Decree had never been had or made, the said Decree and the said Custom and Customs herein above specified, or any other matter or thing before mentioned, to the contrary thereof: Notwithstanding it is therefore this present Term of the Holy Trinity? That is to say the 11 Day of June, in the fixth Year of the Reign cfour Sovereign Lord JAMES by the Grace of God, King of England, France, and Ireland, and of Scotland, the 41 Defender of the Faith, &c. By the Right Honourable Thomas Lord Ellesmer Lord Chancellor of England, and the Court of Chancery, and by the Authority of the same, by and with the Assent and consent of all the said Parties, Complainants and Defendant, ordered adjudged and decreed, that the Customs of the faid Mannour, of and concerning the faid Copyhold, Premist's henceforth for ever shall be, and shall be esteemed, and taken to be as to the said Complainants and Defendant, their Heirs and Assignes only as hereaster is expressed, (that is to say)

The Customs established, and Time of Payment of Rents. First, That all and every the Rents of the Copyholders and customary Tenants now in the Tenure of the said Complainants, have usually been payable, and ought to have been paid yearly, and shall from henceforth be usually paid, at and upon the Peast Day of St. Michael the Arch-Angel? And the Feast Day of the Annunciation of the bleffed Lady St. Mary the Virgin, or within 7 Days next after every of the laid Feast Days, if the Court there be not kept before the end of any such 7 Days by equal Portion to the Lord of the faid Mannour for the time being, or unto

his Bailiff, Steward or Receiver, or Improver for the time being.

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A Llo where any Copyholder dieth, Sole seized of an Estate of Inheritance In Fee simple, according to the custom of the said Mannour, of any Copyhold or customary Messuage, Lands Tenements or Hereditaments, now in the Tenure of any the Complainants of, or in the faid Mannour in possession Remainder or Reversion, then the said Messuages, Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, whereof such Copyholder Died to seized, and the Inheritance thereof from and after such Decease, ought, must and shall descend, and come by the custom of the said Mannour, unto the youngest Son of the faid Copyholder, having more Sons than one, or else to the Son of the said Copyholder, having but one Son, and if the youngest Son shall Die without Issue of his Body, then the next youngest Son, and for default of such Issue Male of the Body of the said Copyholder, then to the youngest Daughter of the said Copyholder, having divers Daughters, or else to the Sole Daughter of the said Copyholder, having but one Daughter, and if the youngest Daughter shall Die without Issue, then to the next youngest Doughter, and for want of Daughters and Issue of their Bodies, then to the youngest Brother of the whole Blood of the said Copyholder, having more Brothers of the whole Blood then one, or else to the Sole Brother of the whole Blood of the said Copyholder, having but one such Brother, and for default of such Brothersor Brother, then to the Youngest Sister of the whole Blood of the said Copyholder, having more such Sisters then one, or else to the sole Sister of the whole Blood of the said Copyholder, and for default of fuch Sifters or Sifter, then to the youngest or sole Uncle of the said Copyholder on the part of the Father of the same Copyholder, and for default of such Uncle or Uncles, then to the youngest or Sole Aunt of the said Copyholder, on the part of the said Father. It the said Messuages, Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, did, or do descend unto the said Copyholder, 25 Heir to the Father of the same Copyholder, or any of his Ancestors, according to the custom of the said Mannour. But if the same Messuages, Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, did, do, or shall descend to the said Copyholder so dying seized as Heir to the Mother of the said Copyholder, or any of her Ancestors, according to the custom of the said Mannour, then after the decease of the said Copyholder, the same ought must and shall descend, for default of such Sisters or Sister, as aforesaid, to the youngest or Sole Uncle of the said Copyholder, on the part of the Mother of the said Copyholder, and for default of such Uncles or Uncle, then to the youngest or Sole Aunt of the said Copyholder on the part of the Mother of the said Copyholder, as Heir unto the same Copyholder, so dying leized.

(14)seized, according to the custom of the said Mannour: And for default of such Uncle or Aunt, the same Rule of descent of Inheritance to be observed, touching the Heirs of further degree in Blood to the faid Copyholder, fo dying seized, and that if any such Son, Daughter, Uncle, Aunt or Cousin being Heir Apparent to the faid Copyholder, so dying seized (that is to say) he or the to whom the premisses whereof the same Copyholder dying seized as aforesaid, ought or should descend after the decease of the said Copyholder, according to the custom heretofore specified, do Die in the Lifetime of the said Copyholder, then the said Premisses ought and shall descend after the decease of the said Copyholder, so dying seized unto such Son, Daughter, Uncle, Aunt or Cousin of such Heir Apparent of the said Copyholder, to whom the same Premisses ought or should by the said custom heretosore specified descend if the said Heir Apparent had Died thereof seized as aforesaid. And the fame custom and Law to hold and take place, of for and touching the defcent of the right of Inheritance in Fee simple, which any person according to the custom of the said Mannour, hath or ought to have of in or to any Copy-

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hold or customary Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, in the said Mann-

A Lifo that any Copyholder seized, of any Estate of Inheritance in Fee simple, in Possession, Remainder or Reversion, according to the custom of the said Mannour, of, or, in any the aforesaid Copyhold, or customary Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments within the said Mannour, may surrender the same Copyhold or customary Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments or any part or parcel thereof, into the hands of the Lord of the said Mannour for the Time being, or of the High Steward, or Deputy Steward, of the said Lord of the Court of the said Mannour for the Time being, or keeping any such Court there, or into the hands of any two Copyholders or customary Tenants of the said Mannour out of the Court, to the use of the same Copyholder so furrendering, or of any other Person or Persons, of and for any Estate in Fee simple or in Fee Tail, general or special or for any Term or Terms, of one, two, or three Lives in Possession, Remainder or Reversion.

A Nd that any Copyholder, seized or possessed of any the aforesaid Copyhold or customary Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments of any Estate, for Life, Lives or Years in possession, Remainder or Reversion, according to the custom of the said Mannour may make Surrender thereof, or of any part thereof in Form aforesaid, to the use of any Person or Persons for all or any part of such Term or Estate, as such Copyholder so surrendring them

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hath in the same Premisses, so to be surrendered.

AND that any Copyholder, seized in right of his Wife of any Estate of Inheritance in Fee simple in Possession, Remainder or Reversion, according to the custom of the said Mannour, of and in any of the aforesaid Copyhold or customary Lands, Tenements and Premisses, the said Copyholder and his said Wise may surrender the same Copyhold or Customary Premisses or any part thereof into the Hands of the Lord of the said Mannour, or into the Hands of the High Steward, or Deputy Steward in Court of the said Mannour, and so as the same Wise there be soley Examined, according to the custom of the said Mannour.

A Liothat when any Copyholder dieth ieized of any Estate of Inheritance in Fee Tail, of or in any the aforesaid Copyhold or customary Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments in Possession, Remainder or Reversion of or in the said Mannour, that then after the decease of the said Copyholder, the same Copyhold Premisses, whereof the said Copyholder so died seized, ought and shall descend to such Youngest or Sole Son, youngest or Sole Daughter, Youngest or Sole Brother, Youngest or Sole Sister, Youngest or Sole Uncle Youngest or Sole Aunt, or Youngest or Sole Cousine of the said Copyholder inheritable thereunto, according to the Form of the said Entail as by the custom heretofore specified, should or ought to Inherite as Heir by Descent of Inheritance, unto any Copyholder dying seized of any the said Copyhold Lands of or in the said Mannour, of an Estate in Fee simple according to the custom of the said Mannour.

AND that no Wife or Widow of any Copyholder of any the said Copyhold or customaty Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, of or in the said Mannour, ought shall or may after the decease of her Husband, have or Claim to have any Estate, Title or Interest for her Dower or Free-Bench of in or to any of the same Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, which her said Husband had or held of any Estate of Inheritance, in Fee simple, Fee Tail, or for Life or Lives, other then which shall descend or be conveyed to her as aforesaid.

AND that the Lord of the said Mannour for the time being, by himself or by his said Steward, or Deputy Steward, ought and shall admit every such Heir by Descent of Inheritance, in Fee simple or Fee Tail, as aforelaid unto all and every the said Copyhold or Customary Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments

Hereditaments which shall descend or ought to descend to the said Heir, according to the Custom of the said Mannour, Tenant of, in, and to the said Copyhold and customary Premisses, and thereof to grant seizen to the said Heir by the Rod, according to the custom of the said Mannour, and in like fort ought and shall Admit every Person and Persons, to whose use any such surrenders shall be made as ascressid, according to the custom of the said Mannour, Tenant or Tenants of in and to all every such of the said Copyhold and customary Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, as be or shall be so surrendered to his Heir or their use as aforesaid, and to him her or them, to whose use such surrendered to fix the said Surrender, to grant the same Premisses so surrendered, and seizen thereof by the Rod, according to his, her or their Estate, or Estates in the said Surrender, limited and declared according to the custom of the said Mannour, without any unnecessary delay after reasonable Demand,

The Customs or value of Fines upon Surrenders, verfots ac. A N D that every such Heir immediately for, and upon such Admittance of the faid Heir, if such Heir shall be admitted within one Year next after the decease of the Ancestor of such Heir, or without Admittance at the end of the same Year, shall pay unto the Lord of the same Mannour for the Time being for a Fine so much Money as shall amount to the value of one Years Rent, of the Rent now answerable due or payable to the said Lord for the said Copyhold Premisses, whereof the said Heir shall be so admitted Tenant and no more. And that the Lord for the time being, hath always used, and for ever hereaster shall and may by himself, his Bailiff or other Officer, seize & take for an Heriot the best Beast of any Copyholder dying sole seized of an Estate of Inheritance, or for Term of Life of or in any the foresaid Copyhold or customary Lands, Messuages or Tenements, of or within the said Mannour which the faid Copyholder shall have at the time of the decease of the fame Copyholder, and if the same Copyholder, so dying fole seized shall be a scame Covert, then the best Beast that her husband shall have at the Time of her docease, and it such Copyholder at the time of his or her decease, or such Husband at the Time of such his Wife's decease, shall not have any Beast, then the Lord shall have some other, the best one Thing of the personal. Goods and Chattles that such Copyholder or such Husband shall have at the time of the decease of such Copyholder, as the Lord or his Bailiff or Improver or other Officer shall best like of, seize and take, and that every Person to whose use such surrender shall be made as aforelaid, of any the aloresaid Copyhold or customary Tenements, immediately for and upon such Admittance as aforehid, of the same Person, Tenant to the said Copyhold Premisses so surrendrsal il bich Admittance shall be within one Year next after such Surrender made made, or else without Admittance at the end of the said Year, have used and shall pay or cause to be paid to the said Lord of the Mannour, for a Fine so much Money as shall amount to the value of one Years Rent, of the Rent now answerable, due or payable to the said Lord for the said Copyhold or customary Premisses so surrendred, and no more.

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AND that the said Lord shall have of every Copyholder of Inheritance, in Fee Simple, Fee Tail, or for Life, making such surrender as aforesaid, of all the Copyhold or customary Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, whereof the same Copyholder shall be then so seized unto the use of any Person or Persons, in Fee Simple or Intail, or for Life with the Remainder or use over in Fee simple or in Tail, according to the custom of the said Mannour, shall pay unto the said Lord for a Faresee, Two Shillings and no more.

Lio that where any Copyholder or Customary Tenant Died or shall die, seized of any Estate of Inheritance, in Fee simple, or Fee Tail, of or in any the aforesaid customary or Copyhold Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments of or in the said Mannour the Heir according to the custom of the said Mannour of the laid Copyholder being within Age, the said Lord shall not have the Wardship or custody of the said Heir or of any of the said Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, in respect of the said Lands or Heir, but the Mother of the said Heir; and in default of such Mother, the next of Kin to the said Heir, to whom the said Copyhold Premisses cannot descend as Heir to the said Heir within Age, by the custom aforesaid, shall have the custody, and Tuition and education as prochein amy of the said heir within age and of the said premisses during the minority of the said Heir to and for the only use and benefit of the said Heir and to be thereofaccountable unto the said Heir.

A L S O that any Copyholder sole seized of any Estate of Inheritance in Fee simple, or Fee Tail, according to the custom of the said Mannour, of any the aforesaid Copyhold, or customary Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments of or in the said Mannour have used, and hereafter shall or may by Indenture, with and by the Licence of the Lord of the said Mannour for the time being, or of his said Steward or Deputy Steward, to be granted in Court Lease or Demise, all or any of the said Copyhold or customary Premisses, for any Term of Years in Possession. And that the said Lord, or the said Steward, or Deputy Steward, upon reasonable demand in that behalf have used, and hereafter shall grant Licence to the said Copyholder for demiseing of the same Copyhold Premisses, or any part thereof in Form aforesaid, takeing to

the use of the Lord, for every such Licence, so many Pence in Money, as shall be the Number of the Years in such Licence contained, and no more,

Mo Forfeiture to the Lord, of Things in the Lordhip. A L. SO that no Lord of the said Mannour, shall have or can take any Forfeiture, Benefit or Advantage of or against any Copyholder, or custo. mary Tenant of or in the laid Mannour, for or concerning any waste or Spoil had, or committed or suffered, or to be had committed or suffered, of or in anythe aforesaid Copyhold, Customary lands, Tenements or hereditaments of

or in the laid Mannour.

Entries of all Causes determined in the court by the Steward. A LSO that the faid Lord, or his Steward, or Deputy Steward for the time being, have used, and shall from time to time well and truly enter or cause to be enter'd, Register'd and Recorded in the Court Rolls of the said Mannour in Parchment, all and every such Surrenders, grants Admittances, Licences; and all and every Presentments, Plaints, Pleas, Suits, Precepts, Trials, Verddicts, Judgements and Executions, of, for, or concerning any of the atorefaid Copyhold or customary Lands, Tenements or hereditaments, of or in the said Mannour, upon reasonable Fee to be paid unto the Steward, so making such Entry or Entries, and ought and shall upon reasonable Demand, make and deliver unto any Copyholder or Copyholders, severally and respectively, any Copy of so much of the said Court Rolls in Parchment, under the Hand and Seal of the faid Lord, or his High Steward for the time being, as concerneth any such Surrender, grant Admittance, Licences, Presentments, Verdicks and Judgements, severally and respectively concerning their said several Copyhold or customary Tenements, paying for every such Copy 1 8 Pence: And that the faid Lord, Steward or Deputy Steward, or any of them, or the Bailiff, or any other Officer or Servant of them, or any of them, ought not, nor shill exict demand or claim any other Sum or Sums of Money, or other thing, for any Fine Farfee or Heriot, for or upon any Death of any such Copyholder for any such Surrender. Admittance or Licence as aforesaid, or for any Admittance or Dicence made or to be made of, or concerning any Copyhold or customary Lands Tenements and Hereditaments of or in the said Mannour, or any other Fee, Fees, Reward or thing, for the said Copies of Court Rolls, then herein before is exprest.

Tryals by maius ius, or other causes in varience within the Lordship ALSO that the said Lord by himself, or his said Steward, or Deputy Steward for the time being, have ever used, and hereafter for ever shall upon the Complaint and reasonable demand and Payment to them, or any of them, of Two Shillings to the use of the Lord, by any: Copyholder or Copyholders

0(19) holders of the faid Mannour, in Deed or in Right, complayning to be wrong? ed by any other Person or Persons, touching any such of the aforesaid Copyhold Premisses, of or in the said Mannour, shall cause a lury or inquest of 12 or more of the Copyholders of the faid Mannour, to be Impanelled and Sworn in the Court of the faid Mannour, to try the Right of the faid Complainant or Complainants, of, in, or to any of such of the aforelaid Copyhold Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments of the faid Mannour, according to the custom of the faid Mannour in majus jus, against any other Person or Persons, and upon tryal of the same Right in or for the said Copyholder, Complaint or Complaints, shall give Warantee under his, or their hand or hands to the Bailiff of the said Mannour for the time being, to put or cause to be put the same Complainant or Complainants into the possession of the same Premisses, wherein it is so found by Verdict, the faid Complainant or Complainants to have Right, according to the custom of the said Mannour. And for any other enquiry to be had, touching the Meers and Bounds of any the aforesaid customary Lands, or Tenements, of or in the faid Mannour, or of any Custom within the said Mannour, of setting forth or laying out of Ways, or Water Courses, or other like matter, doubt or question which hereafter may happen to arise. The said Lord, Steward or Deputy Steward, upon reasonable Request of any Copyholder of or in the said Mannour, at or in any Court of the said Mannour holden, and upon the Payment of Six-pence to them or any of them, by the faid Copyholder, to the use of the Lord, shall cause the Homage of the said Mannour, (That is to fay) 12 or more of the Copyholders of the faid Mannour being Impanelled, Sworn and Charged, according to the custom of the said Mannour, to enquire and make Presentment of the said Bounds, Meers, Ways, Water Courses Customs or other matters aforesaid so to be enquired and ought and shall take, and record duely and truely the Presentments of the said Homage.

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A ND that upon any Surrender of any part or parcel, of any the aforesaid Copyhold, or customary Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, it hath been always used to Apportion the Rent due to be paid to the Lord, according to the Proportion of the said Lands and Tenements so surrenderd, respecting the Rent of the whole Lands and Tenements before such surrender made, and the Quantity and Quality of the part or parcel so surrenderd, and that every Surrender of any the aforesaid Copyhold, or customary Lands, or Tenements, hath been used to be presented at the Court of the Lord of the said Mannour holden within the said Mannour, not only within one Year next after such Surrender, but also whensoever the Party or Parties to whose use

C 20 1 fuch Surrender is made, or his or their Heir or Heirs do require the Prefent ment therof, or Admittance thereupon.

All Customs and Clares allowed. N D lastly, That all other customs and usages of and within the said 13. Mannour, there time out of mind uled and accustomed, or which by "the Court Rolls of the said Mannour, shall or may appear to have been used and allowed for Costs Custom or Customs within the said Mannour; shall be duely observed, kept and executed, and stand firm in full force effect and inviolable for ever, to all intents, constructions and purposes, to and against the faid Complainants and Defendant; and every of them, their, and every of their Heirs and Assignes; and all and every other Person and Persons claiming from by or under them, or any of them in such fort as herein is decreed.

Mo benefit to none Complainants, by this Decree.

Rovided always, That no Copyholders or customary Tenants of the said Mannour, nor their Heirs nor any of them, other then the new Complainants, their Heirs and Assignes, and such of the said Copyholders and customary Tenants, their Heirs and Affignes as be now Parties, and confenting to this Decree, shall have or take any manner of benefit thereof, nor of any custom matter or thing in this present Decree mentioned, specified or declared But that the faid Defendant his Heirs and Affignes, Lords and Owners of the Said Mannour of Ford alias Fordshome. And all other the Lords and Owners of the faid Mannour for the time being, their Heirs and Assignes, shall and may, have and take, and shall be at liberty to claim, have and take at all times, and from Time to Time hereafter, such and the like Fines, Heriots and other Duties, Customs and Services, Benefit, Advantage, Profit and Commodity, against all and every the Copyholders and customary Tenants, their Heirs and Assignes being no Complainants nor Parties to this Decree, for or concerning their customary Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, and touching and concerning every Matter and Thing thereunto appertaining and belonging to all Intents and purposes, as he, or any of them might lawfully have, take claim, or demand at any Time before the making of this present Decree, and as if this Decree had never been had, nor made the said Decree, and the said Custom and Customs herein above specified, or any other matter or thing before mentioned, to the contrary thereof not withstanding.

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RE A Archiepiscopis & Salutem sciatis nos dedisse et hac charta nostra Reconstruasse Menrico de Aledetibele manerium de ford cum pertinentijs suis, habend et tenend. ad fæd sirm de nobis et hæredibus nostris, sibi et hæredibus suis per duodecim Libras singulis annis per man sua ad saccarium nostre Redd. ad duos terminas (viz) ad sanctum sancti michalis sex Libras, et ad sanctum paschat. sex libras pro omnibus servitijs; volumus et Concedimus quod prædictum manerium sum suis pertinentijs sit quiet in perpetuum die sectis comitat et Hundred, et quod homines esusdem manerij sint quiet in perpetuum de Talagio ad opus nostrum, ita tamen quod Henricus et hæredes sui Tallari facient prædictum manerium ad opus eorum quando et quoties nos et bæredes nostri Dominica nostra Tallari secerimus; Quare volumus & c. bis testibus, Justic car. mar. car. de far. constabutar lister R. micho VV. de cantolupo G. de Grancumb. H. Dispens. G. dispens. H. de Capt. et alijs Dat. per manummich de nevill gerent deces. vic & c. Burdegat, 19. die Augusti Anno Regni nostri 14.

Nos autem tenorem irrotulat. ibid patent charta prædist adrequisitiones dilistorum et subditor nostr Will. Jennyns Armig. Johannis Calcot et Rogeri Dyos duximus Exemplisic. per præsentes, in cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras sieri secimus patentes; Teste meipso apud VVestminster 11 die maji Anno Regni nistri 12

Examinat per nos & Gr. Cordell & Cler.

E Lizabeth by the Grace of God Queen of England France and Ireland Defender of the faith &c. to all manner of persons to whom these presents small come Greeting. We have seen the Enrollment of a certain Grant made by our Progenitor King Hemy the 3d. to one Henry of Alledethele bearing Dat, the 19th. day of August in the 14th. Year of his Reign and enrolled in our Chancery Rolls within our Tewer of London in these words.

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The King to all Arch-Bshops &c. Greeting, know ye that we have given and by this our grant have confirmed to Henry of Aledetthelethe mannour of Ford with its Appettenances, to have and to hold in fee Farm of us and our heirs to him and his heirs, paying yearly at two times to our Treasurer Twelve pounds, in lieu of all Services, (that is to say.) S.x pounds at the feast of Saint Michael, and Six pounds at the Feast of Easter: We will also and grant that the said mannour with its appettenances be for ever free and quit of Suit to the County and hundred; and that the Men of the said mannour be free and quit for ever of Tallage to our behoof; but yet that Henry and his heirs may impose Tallage upon the said mannour to their behoof at such times and so often as we and our heirs shall impose tallage upon our own Lordships: wherefore we will &c. these being Witnesses, Justic cau, mar. can. de, sar constable of Chester R. Micho. William of Cantlupe, G. Grancumb H. Dispencer, G. Dispencer, &c. Dat 16th. day of August in the 14th. Year of our Reign.

The Tenor of the foresaid Enroll'd Grant at the Repuest of our beloved Subjects William Fennyns Esq. John Calcott and Roger Dross, We have thought fit to be Exemplified by these Presents; In Testimony whereof we have eaused these our Letters to be made Patents, Witness outself at Westminster the E-

leventh day of May in the Thirteenth Year of our Reign.

Examined by us Gr. Cordell. Th. Amy. Clerks

O Mnibus hominibus hoc præsens Scriptum visuris vel audituris Jacobus de Audechelege Salutem in Domino; noveritis me concessisse et demissis omnibus hominibus meis de manerio de fford Licentiam ad Capiendos Lepores, et cetera omnia que ad marrennam pertinent, babend. et tenend. de me et haredibus meis, ipsis et haredibus suis, et omnibus alijs qui propter if sos venient ad terram di li manerij de me et haredibus meis tenend. Praterea Concessi et demisi pradictis bominibus et haredibus suis, et ipsis qui propter ipsos venient, totum solum Bosci mei qui vocat. Astelee, et totum Bruer inter Aspelee et nemnham; (Salva Galfrido de ford et baredibus suis una mora sub Bosco de Aspelee ad claudend. per sepem et per fossam ad opus suum proprium, proservitio suo et quatuor marcis argenti quas mihi dedit per manum; et Salva dicto Galfrido et haredibus suis una parcella terra que vocat Birchelee junta dictum Bruer, habend et tenend de me et haredibus mets, fibi et heredibus suis, et ipfis qui propter ipsos venient, ad proprium, et ad voluntatem inde faciena. Redd. inde annuatim mihi et haredibus meis de omnibus hominibus praditti manerij de fford pro praditta warrenna, et praditto solo dicti Bosci de Aspelee, et predicto Bruer, decem solides Argentiad duos terminos Anni, scrlicet ad festum sancti Michaelis quinque solidis, et ad festum Beata mayia in martio quinque solidis: pro hac autem mea donatione, concessione, et relaxatione, pradicti homines mei mihi dederint 30 Libras Argenti per manum: Ego vero pradictus facobus et baredes mei, pradictam warrennam, et totum solum Bosci dicti et Bruer, pradictis hominibus, et ipsis qui propter ipsos venient, contra omnes gentes warrantie, et desendemus in perpetuum in cujus rei testimonium huic prasenti scripto sigillum meum apsolui, his Testibus: Domino hodenett de hodenett, Johanne de Hawkalla, Galfrido de thorpe tunc senescallo, Roberto de Winkishall, Henrico de Buml. Willo, de horto, Roberto de Undestlam, et alijs

Examined with the Original Deed which is a fair writing with a Seal of Dough

A Translation of the Deed for a free Warren fords-heath &c. to the Copyholders

of the mannour of Ford &c. TAmes of Audechelege [now call'd Audley] to all that shall see or hear this I present writing wisheth health in our Lord God: know ye that i have granted and demised to all my men of the mannour of Ford Liberty to take Heirs and all other things which belong to Warren, to have and to hold of me and my Heirs, to them and their heirs, and to all those who in their right shall come to hold Land in the faid mannour of me and my Heirs: furthermore i have granted and demised to the said men and their heirs, and to those who shall come to have their right, the whole soil of the wood call'd Aspelee, and the whole Heath between Afpelee and Newnham, and faving to Geofrey of Ford and his Heirs, to enclose with hedge and ditch, one moor lying under the wood of Aspelee to his proper use, in consideration of his service, and of four marks of Silver which he paid me inhand; and faving to the faid Geofrey and his heirs one parcell of land call'd Birchelee near the faid Heath, to have and to hold of me and my heirs to him and his Heirs and to those who shall come into their right, to their proper use, and to do with according to their pleasure) all the men of the said Mannour paying Yearly to me and my Heirs for the foresaid Warren, foresaid soil of the wood Aspelee, and foresaid heath, Ten Shillings of Silver at two times of the Year, that is to fay) at the feast of Saint Michael five shillings, and at the feast of the Annunciation of the blessed Virgin Mary in march five Shillings moreover my said men for this my donation grant, and Relaxation have given me in hand 30 pound of Silver; and I the said lames and my heirs, the foresaid Warren, all the soil of the foresaid Wood and theforesaid heath, to the men aforesaid and to those who shall come into their right, will Warrant and defend against all persons for ever in Testimony whereof i have hereunto set my Seal, these being Witnesses; bodnett Ld. of hodnest, John of hawkalla, Geofrey of Thorpe then Steward, Robert of Winkishall. Henry of Bumb. William of the Garden, Robert of Und flaw to others.

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